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Dear Cattle Feeders:

Information contained herein is the result of mail, phone and personal interview surveys conducted during the past few weeks. Special recognition and appreciation are extended to all producers and agribusinesses who provided data making these reports possible.

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Number of Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Month - States and United States: 2010-2011

State	May 1 Number on Feed ¹			April Placements			April Marketings			April Other Disappearance ²		
	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	268	282	105	16	25	156	24	18	75	2	1	50
California	410	450	110	54	57	106	54	55	102	5	2	40
Colorado	940	1,100	117	170	165	97	145	150	103	15	5	33
Idaho	210	230	110	27	34	126	21	23	110	1	1	100
Iowa	600	640	107	76	69	91	72	76	106	4	3	75
Kansas	2,130	2,170	102	315	380	121	405	385	95	20	15	75
Nebraska	2,240	2,370	106	400	370	93	435	370	85	15	10	67
Oklahoma	325	355	109	57	76	133	70	74	106	2	2	100
South Dakota	235	255	109	39	31	79	38	39	103	1	2	200
Texas	2,510	2,750	110	400	510	128	510	530	104	20	10	50
Washington	175	205	117	29	28	97	24	33	138	1	1	100
Other States	385	393	102	51	50	98	59	54	92	5	7	140
United States	10,428	11,200	107	1,634	1,795	110	1,857	1,807	97	91	59	65

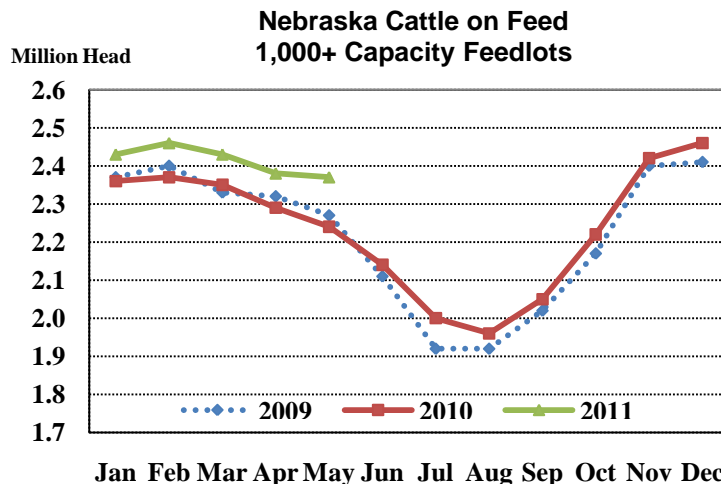
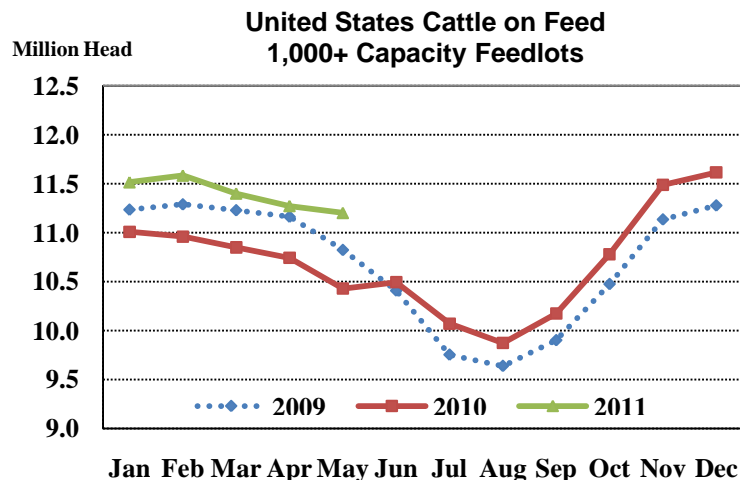
¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed May 20, 2011

Number of Cattle Placed on Feed by Weight Group on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Month - States and United States: 2010-2011

State	During April									
	Under 600		600-699		700-799		800 Plus		Total	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>									
Colorado	30	35	35	30	45	45	60	55	170	165
Kansas	55	60	60	60	100	130	100	130	315	380
Nebraska	70	60	70	60	120	100	140	150	400	370
Texas	115	195	85	95	120	125	80	95	400	510
Other States	95	100	55	65	84	90	115	115	349	370
United States	365	450	305	310	469	490	495	545	1,634	1,795

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed May 20, 2011



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

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Federally Inspected Red Meat Production - United States

(Totals, accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data)

Type	Apr 2010	Mar 2011	Apr 2011	Apr 2011 as % of		Jan - Apr		
				Apr 2010	Mar 2011	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Beef	2,110.8	2,236.7	2,028.0	96	91	8,269.8	8,351.8	101
Veal	10.8	11.8	10.0	92	84	44.4	42.6	96
Pork	1,835.9	2,040.2	1,778.6	97	87	7,403.8	7,459.2	101
Lamb & mutton	12.3	13.6	13.7	111	101	53.4	48.4	91
Total Red Meat	3,969.7	4,302.3	3,830.2	96	89	15,771.4	15,902.0	101

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter May 20, 2011

Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, By Class - United States

(Data may not add to totals due to rounding)

Class	Apr 2010	Mar 2011	Apr 2011	Jan - Apr		Apr 2010	Mar 2011	Apr 2011	Jan - Apr	
				2010	2011				2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent of Total</i>	<i>Percent of Total</i>	<i>Percent of Total</i>	<i>Percent of Total</i>	<i>Percent of Total</i>
Cattle										
Steers	1,396	1,410	1,309	5,244	5,223	49.8	48.4	48.8	48.4	48.1
Heifers	815	904	801	3,297	3,331	29.1	31.0	29.9	30.5	30.7
All cows	532	545	519	2,091	2,115	19.0	18.7	19.4	19.3	19.5
Dairy cows	235	268	238	946	1,019	8.4	9.2	8.9	8.7	9.4
Other cows	298	277	281	1,145	1,096	10.6	9.5	10.5	10.6	10.1
Bulls	58	54	52	193	191	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8
Total	2,802	2,913	2,680	10,825	10,860	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Calves and vealers	67	72	58	301	268	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrows and gilts	8,704	9,501	8,295	35,250	34,762	96.9	97.0	96.9	96.9	97.0
Sows	244	265	237	996	960	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.7
Boars	32	29	28	138	108	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
Total	8,980	9,795	8,559	36,383	35,830	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature sheep	15	11	11	53	40	8.4	5.9	5.8	6.9	5.9
Lambs and yearlings	160	173	181	712	632	91.6	94.1	94.2	93.1	94.1
Total	175	183	192	765	671	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter May 20, 2011

Annual Cattle Price Reactions to Cattle on Feed Releases

Marketing Year ²	Number of and Average Price Changes ¹							
	Week Prior to Release				Week After Release			
	Increases		Decreases		Increases		Decreases	
	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average	Number	Average
		<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Dollars</i>		<i>Dollars</i>
2000	8	0.76	4	0.69	7	0.78	5	1.08
2001	5	0.84	7	1.78	5	1.87	7	1.47
2002	9	1.24	3	1.40	5	1.14	7	1.68
2003	5	3.73	7	2.41	5	1.90	7	3.24
2004	9	1.73	3	1.85	5	4.07	7	1.83
2005	2	1.65	10	1.43	5	1.01	7	1.28
2006	9	0.96	3	1.26	7	1.76	5	1.61
2007	5	0.78	7	1.36	8	1.67	4	1.51
2008	6	0.95	6	1.81	9	1.57	3	1.03
2009	5	1.72	7	0.91	6	1.26	6	0.62
2010	7	2.39	5	1.15	3	2.03	9	0.97

¹Based on the weekly weighted average prices per cwt. for live steers and heifers from feedlots in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Iowa, and Minnesota. Total increases and decreases may not add to twelve for a year when the week-to-week price does not change.

²Marketing year represents the January-December calendar year.

Source: Market News, Agricultural Marketing Service

Monthly Cattle Price Reactions to Cattle on Feed Releases

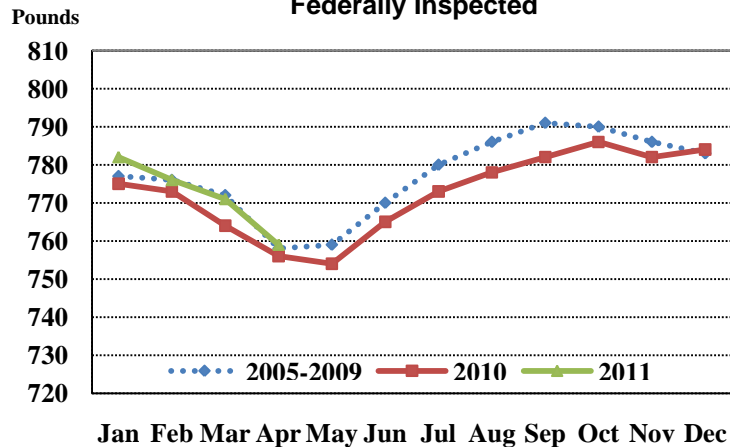
Release Date	Inventory Change ²	Average Price ¹			Change From	
		Week Prior	Week of Release	Week After	Week Before to Week of Release	Week of Release To Week After
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Jan 22, 2010	-2.0	84.94	84.91	84.40	-0.03	-0.51
Feb 19, 2010	-2.6	88.46	91.11	90.89	2.65	-0.22
Mar 19, 2010	-3.2	93.38	96.28	96.02	2.90	-0.26
Apr 23, 2010	-3.5	99.51	99.38	98.42	-0.13	-0.96
May 21, 2010	-3.4	99.87	97.13	93.60	-2.74	-3.53
Jun 18, 2010	0.8	92.68	91.02	90.99	-1.66	-0.03
Jul 23, 2010	3.3	93.42	94.80	92.88	1.38	-1.92
Aug 20, 2010	2.4	94.17	98.82	99.05	4.65	0.23
Sep 17, 2010	2.8	96.98	97.65	97.55	0.67	-0.10
Oct 22, 2010	2.9	96.56	100.97	99.74	4.41	-1.23
Nov 19, 2010	3.2	97.99	98.04	100.97	0.05	2.93
Dec 17, 2010	2.9	100.93	99.72	102.64	-1.21	2.92

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²Percent change from previous year at time of each report.

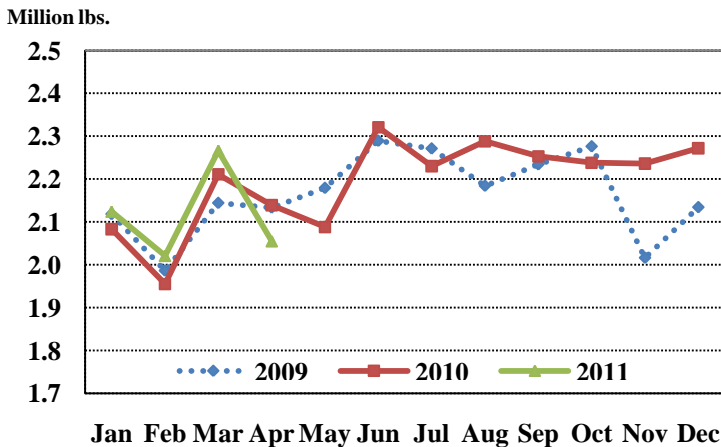
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U.S. Cattle Carcass Weights Federally Inspected



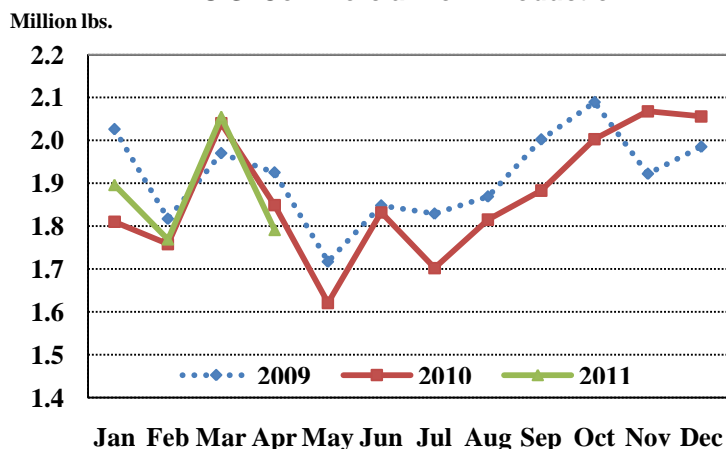
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U.S. Commercial Beef Production



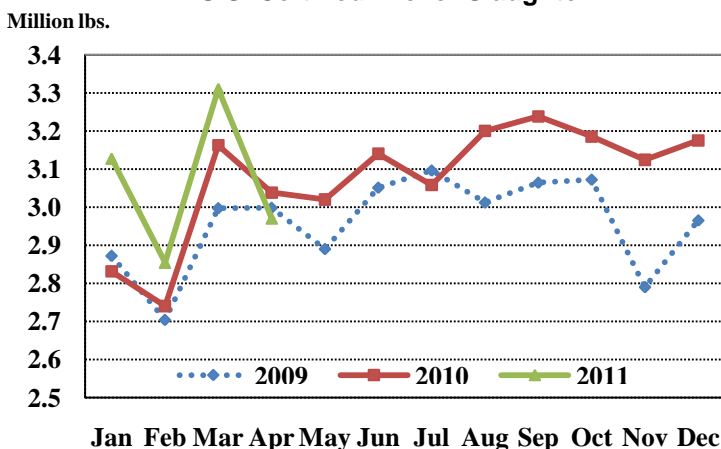
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U.S. Commercial Pork Production



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

U.S. Certified Broiler Slaughter



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

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